

CITY OF CHULA VISTA

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER (FTHB) PROGRAM

HOMEBUYER FACTS

(8/1/11)

WHAT IS THE FTHB?

Since 2001 the City of Chula Vista has offered gap financing for first-time homebuyers to purchase eligible properties within the City. Currently the city offers a deferred loan with no interest that carries shared equity for the first 15 years. The gap financing is up to \$70,000 for foreclosed properties within the city limits and up to \$40,000 for any other type of purchase.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Households seeking assistance must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible:

- 1. All household members are first-time homebuyers (have not held an ownership interest in residential property within the past three years).
- 2. Total household annual income may not exceed the following limits, as of May 31, 2011:

Area Median Income (Loan threshold)	1 person	2 people	3 people	4 people	5 people	6 people	7 people	8 people
80% AMI (up to \$70,000)	\$45,580	\$52,400	\$58,950	\$65,500	\$70,750	\$76,000	\$81,250	\$86,500

- 3. Upon close of escrow, you must occupy the home as your Principal Residence.
- 4. You must be a U.S. citizen or eligible immigrant. Legal resident aliens are eligible to apply but must show proof of status.
- Your households shall have sufficient income and credit-worthiness to qualify for primary financing from a participating lender.
- 6. You must contribution a minimum of 3% of the total purchase price of the property.
- 7. Maximum liquid assets after down payment and closing cost contribution may not exceed \$25,000 (not including retirement accounts, i.e. IRA's, 401(k), etc).

WHAT PROPERTIES ARE ELIGIBLE UNDER THE PROGRAM?

- 1. Properties must be located within the City of Chula Vista.
- 2. Manufactured/mobile homes, duplexes, triplexes or fourplexes do not qualify as eligible properties.
- 3. Preference is given to properties that are less than 45 years old and may not need health & safety repairs that exceed \$24,999.
- 4. The maximum purchase price cannot exceed \$362,790 (effective 1/11).
- 5. Property may not have outstanding civil penalties.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS?



For additional program information, for homebuyer education class information, and/or to receive a list of certified lenders and appraisers, please contact Community HousingWorks at www.chworks.org or call (619) 282-6647.





For the full program manual and/or additional information, visit the City of Chula Vista's Housing Division web page at: www.chulavistaca.gov/cvrh.

